

Application of: BROWN, Steven F. et al.
Serial No.: 09/608,142
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IN THE DRAWINGS

Kindly amend Figures 1b and 2 in accordance with the annotated sheets attached to the Drawing Revision Authorization Request filed today. Formal drawings, including Figures 1b and 2 with the changes shown in the annotated sheets are also being filed contemporaneously with this amendment. The amendments shown are the same as were made and entered in the parent application, namely the inclusion of items "52" (bottom left) and "C1" (middle) into Figure 1b and the correction of item 31 to read "51" (top middle) in Figure 2.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This responds to the Office Action of March 21, 2008. After entry of the above amendments, claims 14-24, 33-51, and 53-65 remain pending.

Applicant elects Group II without traverse. Original claims 14-24 and 33-51, and new claims 53-65, read on the elected Group. The non-elected claims from Group I are cancelled.

The first paragraph of the specification has been amended to update patent numbers and to correct the status of the relationship between the parent U.S. Patent No. 6,377,629 and U.S. Patent No. 5,926,509 as a continuation-in-part rather than a continuation (to be consistent with what is identified on the PAIR system).

The paragraph at page 15 of the specification is amended consistent with the 12/5/2000 amendment entered in the parent case.

Applicant is also requesting authorization to make drawing changes consistent with the changes entered in the parent case. Formal drawings for all figures are also being submitted contemporaneously with this response.

The claims have also been reviewed for form and amended to place them in good condition for allowance. Claims 53-60 and 62-65 are new dependent claims. New claim 61 is a method claim corresponding (though different in some substantive aspects) to apparatus claim 14 of the elected Group. For the Examiner's convenience, Applicant notes that the subject matter of new claims 53-65 can be found in the original specification at least in the following places:

Claim 53: Original claim 2

Claim 54: Original claim 3

Claim 55: Original claim 7

Claim 56: Original claim 9

Claim 57: Original claim 10

Claim 58: Original claim 17 and Figures 1a and 1b

Claim 59: Original claim 11

Claim 60: Original claim 52

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Claim 61: Original claim 14

Claim 62: Original claim 26

Claim 63: Original claim 27

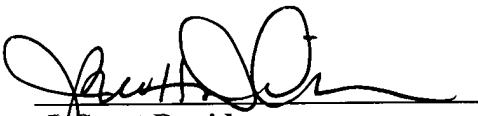
Claim 64: Original claim 28

Claim 65: Original claim 30

An early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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Sir:

Submitted herewith are proposed revisions to the drawings, marked in blue ink. The specific revisions are explained in the accompanying amendment. No new matter has been added. It is respectfully requested that authorization for these revisions be granted.

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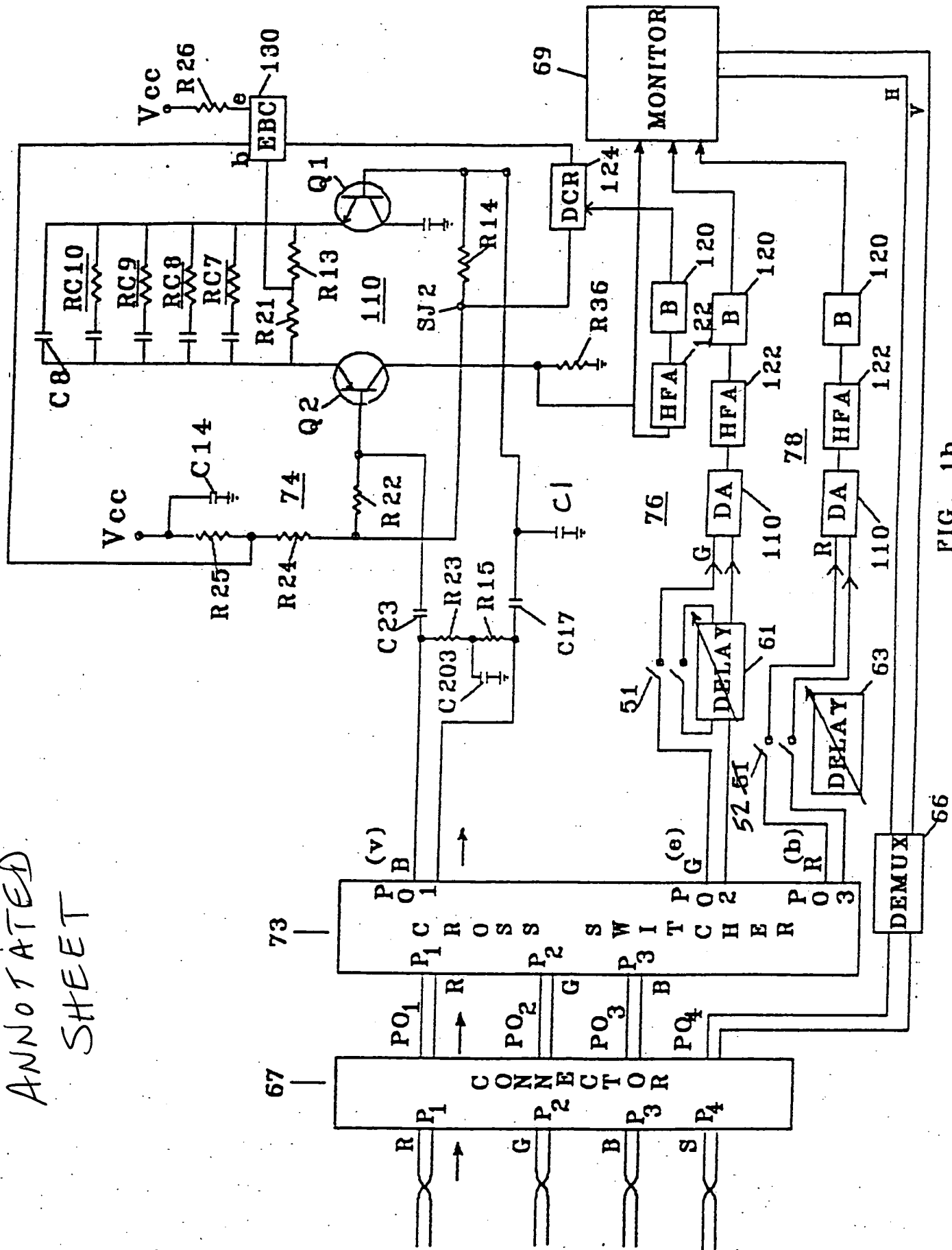


FIG. 1b

ANNOTATED SHEET

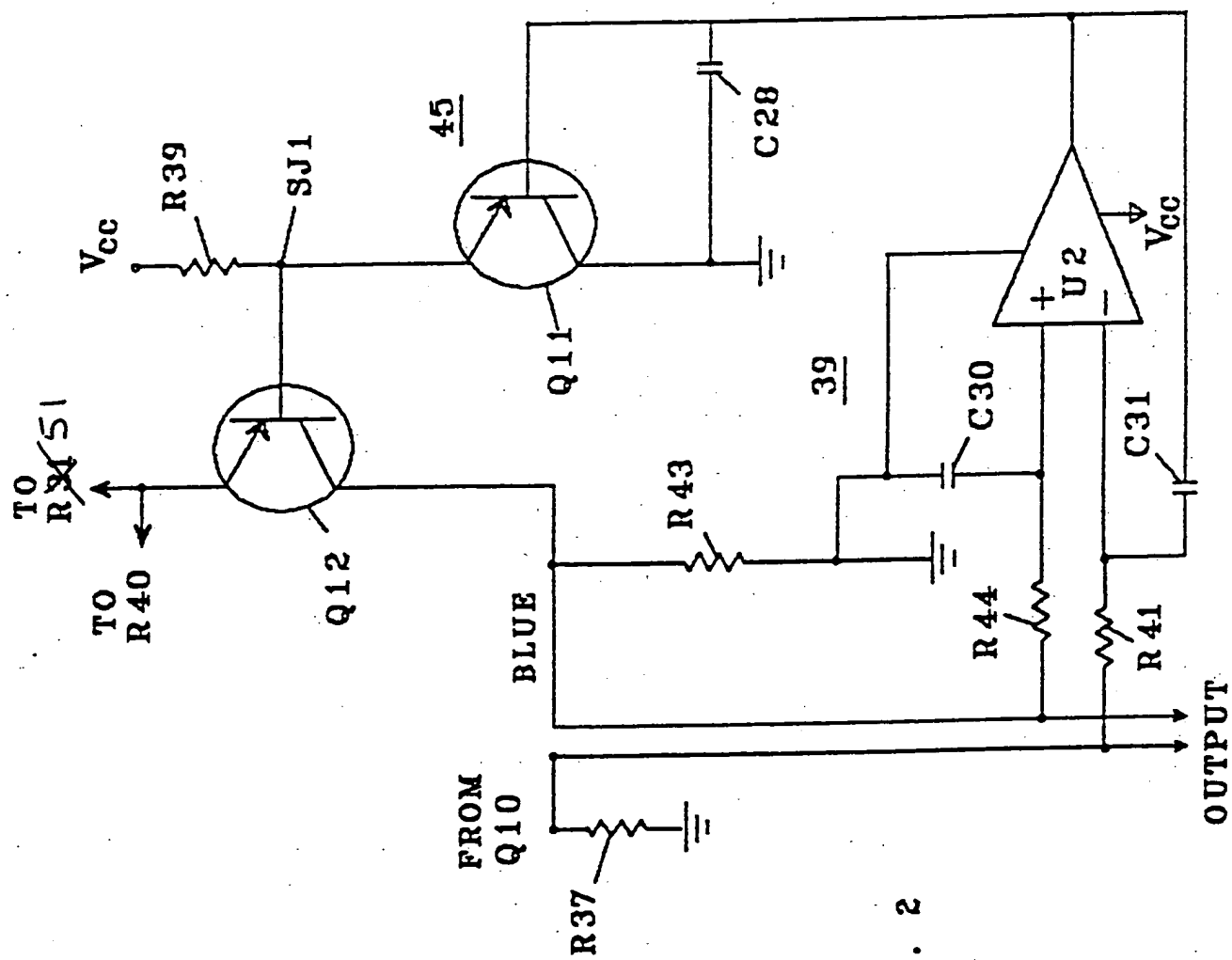


FIG. 2